

Sunrise Presbyterian Church
 Christmas Eve Service
 Tuesday, December 24, 2024 at 7 p.m.
 Rev. Jessica Crane Munoz

** indicates to rise in body/spirit as you are able*

Welcome Pastor Jessica

Prelude Kim Peachy

Call to Worship: (responsive) Pastor Jessica

Leader: We prepared this house of God's for the coming of the Light of the World.

All: With candles to drive back the shadows, and to light the way for our King.

Leader: We prepared for the coming of the eternal Christ.

All: With garlands of pine and fir, whose leaves are ever living, ever green.

Leader: We prepared our hearts for the coming of the Holy One.

All: By singing choruses of hope and songs of praise to God who comes near.

Leader: We prepared our minds for the coming of the Son of God.

All: By listening again to the words of the prophets, who foretold the saving works of God.


Leader: Tonight, we celebrate that God sent His Son into the world that through him all might be saved.

All: Glory to God in the highest! Enter, Prince of Peace!

*🎵 Hymn # 133 O Come, All Ye Faithful vs. 1, 4



Advent & Christ Candle Lighting Harp Family


*🎵 Hymn # 85 Light One Candle to Watch for the Messiah all verses

 **Prayer of Adoration and Praise (unison)** Carol Stilli

Eternal God, from the tabernacle of heaven to the poverty of a stable, your radiant light shines forth; such humble Love astounds us. In Jesus, you have become one with us that we might become one with you. Open our hearts to joyfully receive his love that he may be born in us, and we in him, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Scripture: Isaiah 9:2-7 Carol Stilli

♪ Hymn # 123	It Came Upon a Midnight Clear	v 1,2,5
<i>Remain seated</i>		
Second Scripture:	Luke 2:1-7	Millie Sivak
Story	Jesus' Birthday Party <i>Written by Nicholas Allan</i>	Rev. Jessica Crane Munoz
	Music	
Third Scripture	Luke 2:8-15	Millie Sivak
<u>Invitation to the Offering:</u>		Millie Sivak
<p>The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all. Jesus Christ has shown us how to live: loving God and neighbor, sharing what we have, engaging in acts of mercy and justice. As we celebrate his birth, and wait in hope for his coming again, let us bring the offerings of our lives before him.</p>		
 Offertory Music		Kim Peachy
<p>*♪ Doxology <i>Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.</i></p>		
* Offertory Prayer: (in unison)		Joe Hoseck
<p>God of every good and perfect gift, we thank you for your greatest gift, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. In this season when so many gifts are given and received, we pray that you will receive the gifts we offer now. Use them according to your purposes and plans, bringing your good news of great joy to all people; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.</p>		
Fourth Reading	Luke 2:16-20	Joe Hoseck
*♪ Hymn # 145	What Child Is This	all verses

 **Prayer of Supplication and Intercession: (responsive)** Pastor Jessica

Leader: Holy and gracious God, on this night, we have heard how the world into which Jesus was born was ruled by governor, emperor, and king. Yet this story reveals that you, O God, are the only true Sovereign – Almighty and Everlasting.

All: We thank you that justice and righteousness are in your hands. We praise you for the peace you have promised.

Leader: Most especially, we thank you for your Son, Jesus Christ, the Light of the world, who dwells among us full of grace and truth.

All: Hear our prayers of intercession, that all people might find healing, comfort, and joy.

Leader: We pray for officials, rulers, and leaders in our own time. Give them wisdom in decrees and decisions, a will for the common good, and the courage to work toward peace.

All: We pray for all who work and watch this night: for those working in hospitals and in public service, for those working in shelters, and hotels, and places where people seek shelter for the night.

Leader: We pray for all who are suffering this evening. We pray for the sick and the dying; for those who are left out in the cold, for those who are grieving, for those who are hungry and thirsty, for those wrapped in addiction, and those who struggle depression and anxiety.

All: We pray, O God, with the multitude of the heavenly host, that through Jesus Christ your glory will lighten every darkness; that your peace will fill all, and be in all.

Leader: Conform our prayers to your will and use us to accomplish your purposes for the sake of Jesus Christ in the world. Amen.

Fifth Scripture

John 1:1-14

Travis Harp

Lighting of the Candles

Candlelight 🎵 Hymn #121
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O Little Town of Bethlehem
Silent Night

*Song words found on
bulletin insert*

*Benediction

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 Postlude

Kim Peachy

*Please rise in body/spirit as you are able.

Keep your candle upright when passing the flame to the next person;
please hold your candle sideways to receive the flame.



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Office Hours: 9am-1pm Monday-Thursday

Pastor Jessica will be out of the office December 25-January 4.

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